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E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: PFOR, NATO, MNUC, NPG  
SUBJ: NPG: PHASE III

REF: USNATO 1809 (DTG 301202Z MAR 77)

1. AT THE CONCLUSION OF THE MARCH 28-29 MEETING OF THE TECHNOLOGY STUDY FULL STUDY PANEL (REPORTED REFTEL), ALLIED REPS URGED THE US TO CIRCULATE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE THE FIRST DRAFT OF THE PHASE III PAPER. THEY RECONGINZED THE COMPETING REQUIREMENTS PLACED ON THE WASHINGTON STAFF AS THE NEW ADMINISTRATION HAS TAKEN OFFICE, BUT EMPHASIZED THE NEED TO ALLOW AT LEAST A MONTH TO STUDY THE FIRST DRAFT BEFORE HOLDING A WORKING GROUP MEETING. THE ALLIES SUPPORTED A CANADIAN REQUEST TO RECEIVE A "REALISTIC" ESTIMATE ON WHEN THE US EXPECTS TO CIRCULATE THE PHASE III DRAFT IN ORDER TO AID THEIR PLANNING, SINCE IT WAS BEGINNING TO APPEAR UNLIKELY THAT THE WORKING GROUP COULD MEET PRIOR TO THE SUMMER PERIOD.

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2. COMMENT: WE SHOULD, IF POSSIBLE, GIVE THE ALLIES AN ESTIMATE ON WHEN THE PHASE III DRAFT WILL BE CIRCULATED. ASSUMING THE DRAFT COULD BE CIRCULATED BEFORE THE END OF APRIL, A LIKELY TIME TO SCHEDULE NEXT MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP WOULD BE DURING THE WEEK FOLLOWING THE JUNE NPG MINISTERIAL. END COMMENT.

3. ACTION REQUESTED: WASHINGTON GUIDANCE.STRAUSZ-HUPE

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